GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services – PR&RD Department – Sri G.Vasudeva Rao, the then Assistant Engineer, MEO, Kirlampudi Mandal (retired on 31.08.2018 as MEO, MPP, Rowthalapudi) and presently working as MEO MPP, Kakinada Rural on contract basis - Departmental Proceedings under Rule 9 of Revised Pension Rules, 1980 - Articles of Charge under Rule 20 of the A.P. Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991 – Orders - Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (VIG.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.397. **Dated :10.07.2024.**

Read:

G.O.Ms.No.44, PR&RD (Vig.I) Dept., Dated:10-07-2024

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ORDER:-

In pursuance of the sanction accorded by the Government under sub-clause (i) of clause (b) of sub-rule (2) of Rule 9 of the Revised Pension Rules, 1980 for instituting departmental proceedings against Sri G.Vasudeva Rao, the then Assistant Engineer, MEO, Kirlampudi Mandal (now retired) and presently working as MEO MPP, Kakinada Rural on contract basis, vide reference read above, it is proposed to hold an inquiry against the said Sri G.Vasudeva Rao in accordance with the procedure laid down in Rule 20 of the A.P. Civil Services [Classification, Control and Appeal], 1991.

2. The substance of the imputations of misconduct or misbehavior in respect of which the inquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of articles of charge (Annexure-I). A statement of the imputations of misconduct or mis-behaviour in support of each article of charge is enclosed (Annexure-II). A list of documents by which, and a list of witnesses by whom, the articles of charge are proposed to be sustained are also enclosed (Annexure III and IV).

3. Sri G.Vasudeva Rao, the then Assistant Engineer, MEO, Kirlampudi Mandal (now retired) and presently working as MEO MPP, Kakinada Rural on contract basis, is directed to submit within (10) days of the receipt of this order a written statement of his defence and also to state whether he desires to be heard in person.

4. Sri G.Vasudeva Rao, the then Assistant Engineer, MEO, Kirlampudi Mandal (now retired) and presently working as MEO MPP, Kakinada Rural on contract basis, is informed that the inquiry will be held only in respect of those articles of charge as are not admitted. He, should, therefore, specifically admit or deny each article of charge.

5. Sri G.Vasudeva Rao, the then Assistant Engineer, MEO, Kirlampudi Mandal (now retired) and presently working as MEO MPP, Kakinada Rural on contract basis, is further informed that if he does not submit his written statement of defence on or before the date specified in para (3) above, or does not appear in person before the inquiring authority or otherwise fails or refuses to comply with the provisions of Rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991, or the orders/directions issued in pursuance of the said rules, the Inquiring Authority may hold the inquiry against him exparte.

(P.T.O)

6. The receipt of this order may be acknowledged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

SHASHI BHUSHAN KUMAR
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri G.Vasudeva Rao, the then Assistant Engineer, MEO, Kirlampudi Mandal (now retired) and presently working as MEO MPP, Kakinada Rural on contract basis through Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada.
The Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada (with a request to serve the charges on the individual and furnish a served copy to Govt.)
Copy to:
The PR&RD (Estt.I) Department.
SF/SC.

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ANNEXURE –I

STATEMENT SHOWING THE ARTICLES OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SRI G.VASUDEVA RAO, THE THEN ASSISTANT ENGINEER, MEO, KIRLAMPUDI MANDAL (RETIRED ON 31.8.2018 AS MEO, MPP, ROWTHALAPUDI) AND PRESENTLY WORKING AS MEO, MPP, KAKINADA RURAL ON CONTRACT BASIS.

Article of charge:

That the said Sri G.Vasudeva Rao, while working as Assistant Engineer, MEO, Kirlampudi Mandal has executed and recorded the works (i) Construction of CC road from Sri Yasarapu Krishna(H) to Sri Diddi Tatiyulu (H) and other internal roads at SC locality of Ramakrishnapuram (V), Krlampudi (M) and (ii) Construction of CC road from Sri Morampudi Sanjeev (H) to Sri Salugolu Chinna (H) and other internal roads at SC locality of Ramakrishnapuram (V), Kirlarmpudi(M) and recommended the bills for payment despite inferior quality of concrete in the above said (2) works. Thereby misusing the Government funds and resulting in loss caused to the Government exchequer.

By his above mentioned act, Sri G.Vasudeva Rao, while working as Assistant Engineer, MEO, Kirlampudi Mandal has failed to discharge his legitimate duties, exhibited lack of devotion to duty, lack of integrity and behaved in a manner unbecoming of a Government employee and thereby contravened Rule 3(1) and 3(2) of APCS (Conduct) Rules 1964.

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ANNEXURE-II

STATEMENT OF IMPUTATIONS OF MISCONDUCT IN SUPPORT OF ARTICLE OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI G.VASUDEVA RAO, THE THEN ASSISTANT ENGINEER MEO, KIRLAMPUDI MANDAL (RETIRED ON 31.8.2018 AS MEO, MPP, ROWTHALAPUDI) AND PRESENTLY WORKING AS ME0, MPP, KAKINADA RURAL ON CONTRACT BASIS

Basis:

In the Vigilance Report No.55 (C.No 4821/V&E/Engg/2019-1), dt.22.11.2023, the Director General, (V&E) Dept. has informed that the Vigilance and Enforcement Department enquired in to the allegations of irregularities in execution of CC roads, drains, latrines, compost pits and Dumping yards in Ramakrishnapuram (V) Kirlampudi (M) of erstwhile East Godavari District based on the petition received from Sri Gode Atchha Rao, S/o Sri Veerabhadra Rao, Ramakrishnapuram (V) Kirlampudi (M) wherein it was alleged that substandard quality works were executed in respect of construction of cement concrete roads, drains, latrines, compost pits and Dumping yards in Ramakrishnapuram (V) Kirlampudi (M) Work-wise V&E observations and findings are as follows:

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Work No.1: Construction of CC road from Sri Yasarapu Krishna (H) to Sri Diddi Tatiyulu (H) and other internal roads at SC locality of Ramakrishnapuram (V), Krilampudi (M)

Summary of the test results was as follows:

SI.No	Core ID	Location of the Core extracted	Grade of concrete	Compressive strength in N/mm2		Remarks
				Attained	Required	
CC Road from the stretch of Sri Yasarapu Krishna(H) to Sri Diddi Tattyulu (H)						
1.	1	L/s-40M	M20	10.40	15.00	Failed
2.	2	Centre 80M	M20	17.10	15.00	Satisfactory
3.	3	R/s 133M	M20	12.80	15.00	Failed
		Average		1340	17.00	Failed

The above test results revealed that the CC core samples extracted from the CC road were found to have not attained the strength requirements of specified grade of M20 concrete and also not satisfying the strength requirements of next lower grade of M15 concrete as per IS 456:2000. Hence the CC road was found to be liable for rejection. An amount of Rs.4,18,574/- was arrived at towards the rejected component of the CC road.

Therefore, the rejected component of the CC road should be reconstructed at the cost and risk of the agency or an amount of Rs.4,18,574/- is proposed to be recovered from the agency towards the rejected component of the work.

Work No.2: Construction of CC road from Sri Morampudi Sanjeevi (H) to Sri Salugolu Chinna(H) and other internal roads at SC locality of Ramakrishnapuram (V), Kirlampudi(M).

Summary of the test results was as follow:

Si.No	Core ID	Location of the Core extracted	Grade of concrete	Compressive strength in N/mm2		Remarks
				Attained	Required	
CC Road from the stretch of Sri Yasarapu Krishna(H) to Sri Diddi Tattyulu(H)						
1.	1	L/s-40M	M20	16.00	15.00	Satisfactory
2.	2	Centre 108 M	M20	10.40	15.00	Failed
3.	3	R/s 150M	M20	13.40	15.00	Failed
		Average		13.30	17.00	Failed

The above test results revealed that the CC core samples extracted from the CC road were found to have not attained the strength requirements of specified grade of M20 concrete and also not satisfying the strength requirements of next lower grade of M15 concrete as per IS 456:2000. Hence the CC road was found to be liable for rejection. An amount of Rs.6,84,683/- was arrived at towards the rejected component of the CC road.

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Therefore, the rejected component of the CC road should be reconstructed at the cost and risk of the agency or an amount of Rs.6,84,683/- is proposed to be recovered from the agency towards. The rejected component of the work.

The V&E Dept. has concluded that the allegations made by the petitioner that substandard quality works were executed in construction of cement concrete roads in Ramakrishnapuram(V) of Kirlampudi(M) was found to be substantiated and recommended for disciplinary action. Further, the V&E Dept. has proposed recovery of an amount of Rs.11,03,257/- from Gram Panchayat, Ramakrishnapuram.

Thus, Sri G.Vasudeva Rao, while working as Assistant Engineer, ME0, Kirlampudi Mandal has failed to discharge his legitimate duties, exhibited lack of devotion to duty, lack of integrity and behaving in a manner unbecoming of a Government servant and thereby contravened Rule 3(1) and 3(2) of APCS (Conduct) Rules 1964 and also failed to follow the departmental procedure and resulting in loss caused to the Government exchequer.

Hence, the charge.

SHASHI BHUSHAN KUMAR
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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ANNEXURE-III

LIST OF DOCUMENTS BY WHICH THE ARTICLES OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SRI G.VASUDEVA RAO, THE THEN ASSISTANT ENGINEER, MEO, KIRLAMPUDI MANDAL (RETIRED ON 31.8.2018 AS ME0, MPP, ROWTHALAPUDI) AND PRESENTLY WORKING AS MEO, MPP, KAKINADA RURAL ON CONTRACT BASIS ARE PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED

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1. Vigilance Report No.55 (C.No,4821/V&E/Engg/2019-1), dt.22.11.2023 of the Director-General, Genl. Admn. (Vigilance & Enforcement) Dept.
2. Govt.Memo No.2355672/Vig.I/2024, dt.26.05.2024 of PR&RD (Vig.I)Dept.

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ANNEXURE-IV

LIST OF WITNESSES BY WHOM THE ARTICLE OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SRI G.VASUDEVA RAO, THE THEN ASSISTANT ENGINEER, MEO, KIRLAMPUDI MANDAL (RETIRED ON 31.8.2018 AS ME0, MPP, ROWTHALAPUDI) AND PRESENTLY WORKING AS ME0, MPP, KAKINADA RURAL ON CONTRACT BASIS ARE PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED

- NIL

SHASHI BHUSHAN KUMAR
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